

The Irvine Chamber of Commerce supports greater competition in the telecommunications market. Accordingly, we believe that SBC/Pacific Bell's entry into the Long Distance market will enhance open and full competition to the benefit of all California consumers, by offering savings, convenience, understandable calling plans, responsive customer service and one-stop shopping for all telecommunication services. The Irvine Chamber of Commerce supports this application, because choice and competition is a hallmark of our free-enterprise system.

The Irvine Chamber of Commerce has has a long-term relationship with SBC/Pacific Bell: The company continues to be a good, solid corporate citizen; it makes positive contributions to the state and our local economic efforts; and its employees are involved in the communities in which they live and work. We encourage you to support this application.

Sincerely,

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